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SOLDER BUMPS

## AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 04, 1998, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 5-11 and amend the following claims.

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- 1. (Amended) A circuit board comprising:
- a substrate having a joining surface; and
- a plurality of solder bumps disposed on said joining surface of said substrate in such a manner as to form a predetermined profiled line or surface pattern;

wherein said solder bumps have tops which are <u>free</u>, flat and leveled [, and a coplanarity of said solder bumps is 0.5  $\mu m$  or less per 1 mm].

Claim 3 line 2, deflete "nearly".